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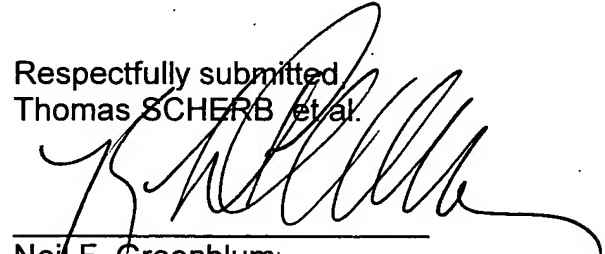
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Sir:

Applicant hereby claims the right of priority granted pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 119 and 365 based upon German Application No. 103 26 304.7, filed June 11, 2003. The International Bureau already should have sent a certified copy of the German application to the United States designated office. If the certified copy has not arrived, please contact the undersigned.

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